(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Entry of foreign cigarette companies into Indian market

3081. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to a decline in cigarette consumption in the Western countries, many such companies are trying to enter the Indian market; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Observation made by Chairman Industrial Development Bank on Industry

3082. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA. Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to an observation made by the Chairman of the Industrial Development Bank of India that the Indian Industry is suffering from the common malaise of "Over extension"; and

(b) if so, what action Government are taking to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) While speaking on "sickness in industry" at the Indian Merchant Chambers, the Chairman and Managing Director IDBI had referred to the reasons why Indian industry has suffered from sickness. According to him entreprenours, many a time, took up projects which were beyond their financial means and also managerial capability which has caused cost over-runs or initial losses. It was stressed by him that the entrepreneurs should manage their projects/companies well rather than starting several New projects at short intervals.

The lending institutions who provide financial support to the projects would be taking these aspects into consideration while granting financial assistance.

Sale of Infant Foods at Exorbitant Prices

3083. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large pharmaceutical firm (FDC) has introduced 400 gm. packs of infant foods (soyafood and prosayfood) at very exorbitant prices;

(b) whether it is a fact that these are being marketed at prices far in excess of the manufacturing costs as judged from the corresponding prices of the highest priced infant food; and

(c) whether an inquiry will be made into this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (c) To the extent information is available, M/s. FDC Pvt. Ltd. is not marketing the products referred to in the question as drug items. The company is therefore not required to seek the price approval in respect of these products under DPCO, 1987.

उत्तर प्रदेश में रुग्ण उद्योग

3084 **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उत्तर प्रदेश में कितने उद्योग रुग्ण है और उनकी रुग्णता के क्या कारण है ; और